

Weekly News from SS&SJ, Earl Shilton, and St Mary's, Elmesthorpe

Services this coming Sunday, 16th November:

- 9.15am – Morning worship at St Mary's
- 10.45am – Morning worship at SS&SJ
- 6.30pm – Prayers to End the Day on Facebook

The Bible reading for our morning services will be Psalm 139 v 1-12 (p503 of the pew Bibles).

PCC meeting – There will be a meeting of St Simon & St Jude PCC (Church Council) on 17th November 2025. If you have any comments on the life of the church for the PCC, please speak to one of the PCC members who are Revd. Martin Castle, Rob Allen, Barbara Bowley, Shaun Cobb, David Hall, Mitch Irving, Catherine Leach, Elizabeth Nteogwuija, Jean Styles, Robert Styles and Laura Ward.

Sunday Club - Join Catherine and Siobhan in SS&SJ church hall on Sunday 23rd November, 10.30am – 12 noon, for games, craft, Bible-teaching and fun! All children welcome. Do ask for more information!!

Elmesthorpe Friends Food and Flowers Initiative will be holding their next coffee morning on Saturday 29th November, 10.00am - 11.30am at Elmesthorpe Village Hall, raising money for the church and other charities. Theme: "Peacetime Thanksgiving" - wartime teatime and musical memories.

At the coffee morning the **St Mary's Subscription Draw** will take place.

Sing for Worship – Do come and join us for the following sessions:

- Saturday 13th December
- Saturday 20th December
- Carol services 21st December

Joining a cell group – A cell group is a small group of people who meet together during the week to deepen their Christian faith and support

each other through Bible study, prayer, friendship and worship. There are 4 of these groups that meet each week. If you would like to join one, please talk to Martin or contact the church office.

Prayers to start the day take place at 9am on Mondays at St Simon and St Jude's and Tuesdays and Thursdays at St Mary's, as well as on Facebook on Wednesday. The prayers in church last half an hour and are a wonderful opportunity to pray for our churches, communities and the wider world, so do come and join us.

Please pray:

- for the Safeguarding Officers of our churches – Louise Overton at SS&SJ and Di Tingay at St Mary's.
- for one of the other churches in our community, perhaps one within Barwell and Earl Shilton Churches Together.
- Give thanks for the work of the Street Pastors in our own community, and across the country. Pray for their protection and their work.

Contacting us –

- For general church enquiries please contact Beth Evans in the Church Office on 01455 843961 or parishchurch@gmx.co.uk .
- For pastoral matters or if you need to speak to a church minister, please contact Martin Castle on 07759 002660.

Prayer for the week:

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bible verse of the month to learn:

'See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and this is what we are.' 1 John 3 v 1

If you would like to donate to either of our churches, you can do so using these QR codes:

**St Simon &
St Jude's:**



St Mary's:

